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## **H.R. 4939 - Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act for Defense, the Global War on Terror, and Hurricane Recovery, 2006**

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*On April 5, the Appropriations Committee reported H.R. 4939 (with an amendment in the nature of a substitute) by a vote of 27-1, with Senator Gregg casting the dissenting vote; S. Report 109-230.*

### **Noteworthy**

- On April 7, Majority Whip McConnell moved to proceed to H.R. 4939, and the motion was agreed to by voice vote. A unanimous consent agreement then was reached to set aside the bill until Tuesday, April 25. No agreement is in place to limit time or amendments.
- The Committee-reported bill recommends \$106.47 billion for operations in Iraq and Afghanistan, the war on terror, hurricane recovery, and other activities. The level of funding is \$14.25 billion above the President's request and \$14.53 billion above the House-passed bill.
- The Committee-reported bill recommends \$72.41 billion for defense-related programs, primarily for the costs of continuing operations in Afghanistan and Iraq, which is \$49.9 million below the President's request and \$315.3 million above the House-passed bill. It also includes \$27.13 billion for hurricane disaster relief and recovery, which is \$7.36 billion above the President's request and \$8.02 billion above the House-passed bill.
- As a result of amendments adopted by voice vote, the Committee-passed bill also includes \$3.94 billion for emergency agricultural disasters, \$2.30 billion for pandemic flu, \$648.1 million for port security, and \$12.5 million for drought emergency assistance. Neither the President nor the House-passed bill included similar funding.
- On March 16, the House passed H.R. 4939 by a vote of 348-71. The House version would provide \$91.95 billion in emergency supplemental fiscal year 2006 appropriations, which is \$273 million less than the President's request.

## Highlights

(in billions)	<u>Bush Request</u>	<u>House-passed Bill</u>	<u>Committee-reported Bill</u>
<b>Title I (Defense Related)</b>	\$ 72.46	\$ 72.09	\$ 72.41
<b>Title II (Hurricane Recovery)</b>	19.76	19.11	27.13
<b>Title III (Agriculture Disaster)</b>	0	0	3.94
<b>Title IV (Drought Emergency)</b>	0	0	0.01
<b>Title V (Port Security)</b>	0	0	0.65
<b>Title VI (Pandemic Flu)</b>	0	0	2.30
<b>Title VII (General Provisions)</b>	0	0.75	0.04
<b>TOTAL<sup>1</sup></b>	\$ 92.22	\$ 91.95	\$ 106.47

## Bill Provisions

### **Title I – Global War on Terror Supplemental Appropriations**

#### **Chapter 1: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development and Related Agencies**

**Foreign Agricultural Service:** Provides \$350 million for Public Law 480 Title II Grants, which is equal to the President’s request and House-passed bill. This program uses U.S. food to feed and improve the well-being of hungry populations in poor countries.

#### **Chapter 2: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary**

**Legal Activities:** Provides \$3.0 million for U.S. Attorneys associated with national security investigations and prosecutions, which is \$1 million less than the President’s request and equal to the House-passed bill.

**United States Marshals Service:** Provides \$1.5 million to provide training, protective services, and physical security costs for courts and judicial facilities, which is equal to the President’s request and \$1.5 million more than the House-passed bill.

<sup>1</sup> Figure totals were taken from S. Rept. 109-230. Any difference in the totals is due to rounding.

**Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI):** Provides \$82.0 million for FBI operations in Iraq and Afghanistan, and additional funding for the ongoing global war on terror, which is \$18.7 million less than the President's request and \$17 million less than the House-passed bill.

**Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA):** Provides \$5.0 million for DEA to create a National Security Section within DEA's intelligence program, which is equal to the President's request and \$9.2 million less than the House-passed bill.

**Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (ATF):** Provides \$4.0 million for ATF for costs of operations in Iraq, which is \$1 million less than the President's request and \$100,000 less than the House-passed bill.

**Administration of Foreign Affairs:** Provides \$1.45 billion for diplomatic and consular programs for embassy operation, maintenance, and security in Iraq and Afghanistan, which is \$100.0 million less than the President's request and \$72.1 million above the House-passed bill.

**Department of State Inspector General:** Provides \$25.3 million for the Office of the Inspector General, which is equal to the President's request and the House-passed bill.

**Educational and Cultural Exchange Programs:** Provides \$5.0 million for educational and cultural affairs programs for Iran, which is equal to the President's request and the House-passed bill.

**International Organizations:** Provides \$69.8 million for contributions for international peacekeeping activities, which is equal to the President's request and \$60.0 million below the House-passed bill.

**Broadcasting Board of Governors:** Provides \$30.3 million for broadcasting activities relating to Iran, which is \$30.3 million above the President's request and \$22.7 million above the House-passed bill.

### **Chapter 3: Subcommittee on Defense**

**Military Personnel:** Provides \$10.20 billion for the Department's Military Personnel, which is \$610.6 million above the President's request and \$270.6 million above the House-passed bill. Of this funding, \$6.94 billion is for the **Army**; \$1.19 billion for the **Navy**; \$874.1 million is for the **Marine Corps**; and \$1.21 billion is for the **Air Force**. This spending includes funding for pay, allowances, subsistence, and other personnel costs for Active, Guard, and Reserve troops activated to duty in Iraq, Afghanistan, and other areas around the world in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation Enduring Freedom, and the Global War on Terror.

**Operation and Maintenance:** Provides \$39.19 billion for Operation and Maintenance accounts in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom, which

is \$458.9 million above the President's request and \$2.23 billion above the House-passed bill. Of this funding, \$17.87 billion is for the **Army**; \$3.06 billion is for the **Navy**; \$1.68 billion is for the **Marine Corps**; \$6.11 billion is for the **Air Force**; \$2.88 billion is for **Defense-Wide**; \$1.91 billion is for the **Afghanistan Security Forces Fund**; \$3.70 billion is for the **Iraq Security Forces Fund**; and \$1.96 billion is to initiate the Joint Improvised Explosive Device Defeat Fund. This spending provides funds for the incremental cost of ground operations, flying hours, logistics support, fuel, travel, and transportation.

**Procurement:** Provides \$15.46 billion for procurement in various procurement accounts, which is \$940.7 million below the President's request and \$2.22 billion below the House-passed bill. Of this funding, \$533.2 million is for **Army** aircraft procurement; \$203.3 million is for **Army** missile procurement; \$1.59 billion is for **Army** weapons and Tracked Combat Vehicles procurement; \$829.7 million is for **Army** ammunition procurement; \$6.29 billion is for Other **Army** procurement; \$412.1 million is for **Navy** aircraft procurement; \$63.4 million is for **Navy** weapons procurement; \$327.1 million is for **Navy and Marine Corps** ammunition procurement; \$140.1 million is for Other **Navy** procurement; \$2.58 billion is for **Marine Corps** procurement; \$679.5 million is for **Air Force** aircraft procurement; \$29.0 million is for **Air Force** ammunition procurement; \$1.45 billion is for Other **Air Force** procurement; and \$331.4 million is for **Defense-Wide** procurement. This spending provides funds for force protection equipment, the restoration of equipment lost in operations, the recapitalization of equipment used in operations, and the equipping of units supporting upcoming rotations.

**Research, Development, Test and Evaluation:** Provides \$710.7 million in various research, development, test, and evaluation accounts, which is \$71.3 million below the President's request and \$291 million below the House-passed bill. Of this funding, \$54.7 million is for the **Army**; \$124.8 million is for the **Navy**; \$382.6 million is for the **Air Force**; and \$148.6 million is for **Defense-Wide**. This spending provides funds that support Army modularity, force protection, equipment improvements, and classified activities.

**Revolving and Management Funds:** Provides \$516.7 million for Revolving and Management Funds, which is equal to the President's request and \$14 million more than the House-passed bill.

**Other Department of Defense Programs:** Provides \$1.31 billion for a range of Department programs, which is \$37.5 million below the President's request and \$6.5 million more than the House-passed bill. This funding includes: \$1.15 billion for the Defense Health Program; \$154.6 million for Drug Interdiction and Counter-Drug Activities (only in Afghanistan and Pakistan); and \$1.8 million for the Inspector General.

**Related Agency:** Provides \$158.9 million for the Intelligence Community Management Account, which is \$20.0 million below the President's request and equal to the House-passed bill.

## **Chapter 4: Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs**

**United States Agency for International Development (USAID):** Provides \$298.7 million for USAID in funds appropriated to the President, which is \$5.0 million above the President's request and \$85.0 million above the House-passed bill. Of this funding, \$10.3 million is for Child Survival and Health Programs Fund to address needs in Pakistan and Haiti; \$10.5 million is for Development Assistance to reimburse funds expended for the October 2005 earthquake in Pakistan; \$136.3 million is to reimburse funds expended for the October 2005 earthquake in Pakistan; and \$141.6 million is for Operating Expenses.

**Other Bilateral Economic Assistance:** Provides \$1.76 billion for the Economic Support Fund, which is \$120.0 million above the President's request and \$173.0 million above the House-passed bill. Of this funding, \$43.0 million is for **Afghanistan**; \$1.49 billion is for **Iraq**; \$40.5 million is for **Pakistan**; \$50.0 million is for **Liberia**; \$100.0 million is for **Jordan**; and \$35.0 million is for **Haiti**.

**Democracy Fund:** Provides \$39.8 million for programs and activities promoting democracy in Iran and supporting upcoming democratic elections in the Congo, which is \$39.8 million above the President's request and \$29.8 million above the House-passed bill.

**International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement:** Provides \$107.7 million for protection of judges and construction and renovation of correctional facilities in Iraq, which is equal to the President's request and House-passed bill.

**Migration and Refugee Assistance:** Provides \$110.2 million to respond to the urgent needs of refugees in Africa and elsewhere, which is \$59.0 million above the President's request and House-passed bill.

**United States Emergency Refugee and Migration Assistance Fund:** Provides \$20 million for needs of refugees and displaced persons, especially in the Horn of Africa, which is suffering from severe drought. Neither the President's request nor the House-passed bill included similar funding.

**International Affairs Technical Assistance:** Provides \$13.0 million for International Affairs Technical Assistance for continued development of Iraq's electronic payments systems, which is equal to the President's request and House-passed bill.

**Peacekeeping Operations:** Provides \$181.2 million in funds appropriated to the President for peacekeeping operations, which is \$58.2 million above the President's request and \$8.2 million above the House-passed bill.

***Report Language (Palestinian Authority):*** Section 1404 of the bill amends the restrictions on financial assistance to the Palestinian Authority (PA) provided for in the

FY06 Foreign Operations Appropriations Act (P.L. 109-102). The modification in Section 1404 provides that none of the funds shall be available from that Act for the PA unless the Secretary of State determines that the PA has acknowledged Israel's right to exist as a Jewish state, has renounced violence, and is adhering to all previous diplomatic agreements with the international community.

## **Chapter 5: Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

***Report Language:*** The Committee directs the Secretary to report to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations within 30 days of enactment of this Act on the adequacy of Federal Government counterintelligence at foreign ports.

**Department of Homeland Security:** Provides \$26.7 million for the Coast Guard's share of the enhanced death gratuity benefit, which is equal to the President's request and House-passed bill.

## **Chapter 6: Subcommittee on Military Construction and Veterans Affairs**

**Military Construction:** Provides \$214.3 million for **Army** military construction, which is \$199 million below the President's request and \$73.2 million below the House-passed bill; \$28.2 million for the **Air Force**, which is \$7.9 million below the President's request and \$7.4 million below the House-passed bill; and \$35.2 million for Defense-wide military construction, which is equal to the President's request. The House-passed bill did not include funding for Defense-wide construction.

## **Chapter 7: Subcommittee on Transportation, Treasury, and General Government**

**Department of the Treasury:** Provides \$1.8 million for Salaries and Expenses for Departmental Offices, which is equal to the President's request and the House-passed bill. Of this spending, \$1.3 million is for Treasury's participation as a co-lead agency in the Iraq Threat Finance Cell in Baghdad, Iraq; and \$500,000 is to fund a Deputy Treasury Attaché to Iraq.

## **Title II – Further Hurricane Disaster Relief and Recovery**

### **Chapter 1: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies**

**Working Capital Fund:** Provides \$25.0 million for the Department of Agriculture Working Capital Fund for expenses of the National Finance Center, which is equal to the President's request and House-passed bill.

**Department of Agriculture Office of Inspector General:** Provides \$445,000 for audits and investigations related to oversight of hurricane-related activities. Neither the President's request nor the House-passed included similar funding.

**Agricultural Research Service (ARS):** Provides \$35.6 million for Salaries and Expenses and Buildings and Facilities, which is \$15.6 million above the President's request and the House-passed bill. Of this spending, \$15.6 million is for Salaries and Expenses for expenses incurred by the ARS in the wake of Hurricane Katrina; and \$20.0 million is for long-term restoration of the Southern Regional Research Center in New Orleans.

**Farm Service Agency (FSA):** Provides \$37.5 million for FSA to respond to damages caused by the hurricanes of 2005. Neither the President's request nor the House-passed bill included similar funding. Of this spending, \$5.0 million is for additional salaries and expenses incurred by FSA to respond to damages caused by the hurricanes and \$32.5 million is for the Emergency Conservation Program.

**Natural Resources Conservation Service:** Provides \$165.0 million for the Emergency Watershed Protection Program, which is \$156 million above the President's request and the House-passed bill.

**Rural Development:** Provides \$151.0 million for salaries and expenses and the Rural Community Advancement Program. Neither the President's request nor the House-passed bill included similar funding.

## **Chapter 2: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies**

**Office of Inspector General:** Provides \$500,000 to carry out audits and investigations of funding and programs related to the gulf coast hurricanes. Neither the President's request nor the House-passed bill included similar funding.

**Legal Activities:** Provides \$9.7 million for legal activities to investigate and prosecute fraud cases related to hurricanes in the gulf coast region, which is equal to the President's request and \$2.7 million below the House-passed bill.

**Office of Justice Programs:** Provides \$10.0 million for state and local law enforcement assistance for necessary costs incurred by hurricanes in the gulf coast region. Neither the President's request nor the House-passed bill included similar funding.

**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA):** Provides \$1.14 billion for NOAA operations, research, and facilities, which is \$1.11 billion above the President's request and \$1.14 billion above the House-passed bill. All funds in this provision have been designated for specific projects.

**Procurement, Acquisition, and Construction:** Provides \$32.0 million for NOAA Procurement, Acquisition, and Construction, which is \$20.2 million above the President's request and the Hill-passed bill. Of this spending, \$20.0 million is for the National Marine Fisheries Service to complete the repair and reconstruction of the NOAA science center; and \$12.0 million is to procure a replacement aircraft and sensor package to provide hurricane damage assessment imagery.

**National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA):** Provides \$35.0 million for the repair and rehabilitation of NASA facilities, which is \$35.0 million above the President's request and \$5.0 million above the House-passed bill.

**Small Business Administration (SBA):** Provides \$1.25 billion in additional disaster loan lending authority for the SBA, which is the same amount in the President's request and the House-passed bill.

### **Chapter 3: Subcommittee on Defense**

**Military Personnel:** Provides \$68.9 million for the Department's Military Personnel, which is equal to the President's request and the House-passed bill. Of this funding, \$7.5 million is for the **Army**; \$32.2 million for the **Navy**; \$6.2 million is for the **Marine Corps**; and \$23.1 million is for the **Air Force**. This spending includes funding for pay, allowances, subsistence, and other personnel costs for Active, Guard, and Reserve troops activated to duty for Hurricane Katrina Relief.

**Operation and Maintenance:** Provides \$123.6 million for Operation and Maintenance accounts for expenses related to Hurricane Katrina and other hurricanes of the 2005 season, which is equal to the President's request and the House-passed bill. Of this funding, \$42.3 million is for the **Army**; \$42.7 million is for the **Navy**; and \$38.6 million is for the **Air Force**. This spending provides funds for the incremental cost of ground operations, flying hours, logistics support, fuel, travel, and transportation related to Hurricane Katrina.

**Procurement:** Provides \$1.14 billion for procurement in various procurement accounts, which is equal to the President's request and \$248 million above the House-passed bill. Of this funding, \$0.7 million is for **Army** procurement of ammunition; \$9.1 million is for Other **Army** procurement; \$0.6 million is for **Navy** aircraft procurement; \$0.9 million is for **Navy and Marine Corps** ammunition procurement; \$1.03 billion is for **Navy** shipbuilding and conversion; \$85.0 million is for other **Navy** procurement; \$13.0 million is for **Air Force** aircraft procurement; and \$2.8 million is for **Defense-Wide** procurement.

**Research, Development, Test and Evaluation:** Provides \$19.0 million in various research, development, test, and evaluation accounts, which is equal to the President's request. Of this funding, \$12.0 million is for the **Army**; \$6.3 million is for the **Air Force**; and \$730,000 is for **Defense-Wide**.

**Revolving and Management Funds:** Provides \$21.8 million for Revolving and Management Funds, which is equal to the President's request and the House-passed bill.

**Trust Funds:** Provides \$10.5 million for "Trust Funds: General Payments, Surcharge Collections, Sales of Commissary Stores, Defense," which is equal to the President's request and the House-passed bill.

**Defense Health Program:** Provides \$33.9 million for the Defense Health Program, which is equal to the President's request and the House-passed bill.

**Defense Inspector General:** Provides \$326,000 for audits and other activities related to the 2005 gulf coast hurricanes, which is \$326,000 above the President's request and House-passed bill.

## **Chapter 4: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies**

**Corps of Engineers Investigations:** Provides \$3.7 million for investigations related to flood hazards and delta risks. Neither the President nor the House-passed bill included similar funding. The entire amount has been designated for specific investigations.

**Corps of Engineers Construction:** Provides \$122.9 million to reduce the risks of storm surge and storm damage to the New Orleans metropolitan area, which is \$22.9 million above the President's request and the House-passed bill. All funds in this provision have been designated for specific projects.

**Corps of Engineers Operation and Maintenance:** Provides \$4.7 million to restore navigation channels and harbors to pre-storm conditions. Neither the President's request nor the House-passed bill includes similar funding.

**Flood Control and Costa Emergencies:** Provides \$2.00 billion to continue repairs to flood and storm damage reduction projects, which is \$641.5 million above the President's request and House-passed bill. All funds in this provision have been designated for specific projects.

***Report Language (Additional funds for levees):*** The Committee understands that an additional \$6 billion may be needed to strengthen levees. However, the Committee will await a report describing the overall condition of the entire levee system and any weaknesses therein before providing additional funding.

## **Chapter 5: Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

**Inspector General:** The President's request and the House-passed bill include \$13.5 million for the DHS Office of Inspector General to transfer to Inspector Generals in other departments. The Committee made funds directly available to the Inspector General of each agency.

**Customs and Border Protection:** Provides \$17.7 million for salaries and expenses and construction, which is \$1.7 million above the President's request and equal to the House-passed bill.

**United States Coast Guard:** Provides \$282.4 million for operating expenses and acquisition, construction, and improvements, which is \$212.9 million above the President's request and \$187.4 million above the House-passed bill. Of this spending, \$90.6 million is for operating expenses, including cleanup and repair of damaged facilities, increased temporary logistics costs, increased cost of basing housing allowances, evacuation costs of members and dependents, costs incurred by the rise in energy prices, and other expenses. The remaining \$191.8 million is for the repair and reconstruction of facilities damaged by Hurricane Katrina.

**Administrative and Regional Operations:** Provides \$71.8 million for the reconstruction and improvement of existing public alert, warning, and crisis communications systems in the gulf coast, which is \$1.8 million above the President's request and the House-passed bill.

**Preparedness, Mitigation, Response, and Recovery:** Provides \$10 million for ongoing recovery efforts in response to Hurricane Katrina, which is \$5 million above the President's request and equal to the House-passed bill.

**Disaster Relief Fund:** Provides \$10.6 billion for the Disaster Relief Fund, which is \$1.20 billion above the President's request and \$1.05 billion above the House-passed bill.

**Disaster Assistance Direct Loan Program Account:** Provides \$301 million in direct loans for the Community Disaster Loan program, which is equal to the President's request and \$150.0 million above the House-passed bill.

## **Chapter 6: Subcommittee on Interior**

**United States Fish and Wildlife Service:** Provides \$132.4 million, which is equal to the President's request and House-passed bill, for construction, cleanup, and facility repair needs related to Hurricane Katrina and other hurricanes in the 2005 season at National Wildlife Refuges.

**Historic Preservation Fund:** Provides \$83.0 million for the Historic Preservation Fund, which is \$80.0 million above the President's request and the House-passed bill. The additional \$80.0 million is to establish a grant program to facilitate the repair of historic structures that were damaged by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita.

**Construction:** Provides \$55.4 million for construction, cleanup, and facility repair needs at National Parks, which is equal to the President's request and the House-passed bill.

**United States Geological Survey:** Provides \$10.2 million for surveys, investigations, and research, which is equal to the President's request and the House-passed bill. This spending will fund facility and equipment repair needs related to the consequences of Hurricane Katrina and other hurricanes of the 2005 season.

**Mineral Management Service:** Provides \$15.0 million for royalty and offshore minerals management, which is equal to the President's request and the House-passed bill. This spending will fund costs associated with the temporary relocation of the Minerals Management Service's regional office.

**Environmental Programs and Management:** Provides \$6.0 million for increased environmental monitoring, assessment, and analytical support, which is equal to the President's request and House-passed bill.

**Leaking Underground Storage Tanks:** Provides \$7.0 million to assess the underground storage tank needs in areas affected by Hurricane Katrina and other hurricanes in the 2005 season, which is equal to the President's request and the House-passed bill.

**Forest Service:** Provides \$20.0 million to the national forest system for debris cleanup, which is equal to the President's request and House-passed bill.

## **Chapter 7: Subcommittee on Labor, Health, and Human Services, and Education**

**Employment and Training Administration:** Provides \$32.5 million for training and employment services for construction and renovation of Job Corps centers damaged by hurricanes of the 2005 season. Neither the President nor the House included similar funding.

**Department of Labor Office of Inspector General:** Provides \$2.0 million for the inspector general to support audits and investigations related to Hurricane Katrina and other hurricanes of the 2005 season. The President's request and House-passed bill allocated all Inspector General funding in the Department of Homeland Security and requested that such funding be distributed by DHS.

**Health Resources and Services Administration:** Provides \$6.0 million for community health centers to establish a communications network among Community Health Centers. Neither the President nor the House included similar funding.

**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC):** Provides \$20.0 million for mosquito and other pest abatement activities affected by Hurricane Katrina and other hurricanes of the 2005 season. Neither the President nor the House included similar funding.

**CDC Inspector General:** Provides \$2.7 million for the Office of the Inspector General to support audits and investigations related to Hurricane Katrina and other hurricanes of the 2005 season.

**Department of Education Inspector General:** Provides \$1.5 million for the Department of Education Office of Inspector General to support audits and investigations related to Hurricane Katrina and other hurricanes of the 2005 season.

**Hurricane Education Recovery:** Provides \$880.0 million for Hurricane Education Recovery. Of this funding, \$650.0 million is for schools with displaced K-12 students; \$200.0 million is for education loans; and \$30.0 million is for grants to institutions of higher education. Neither the President nor the House-approved bill included similar funding.

**Corporation for National and Community Service:** Provides \$20.0 million to support volunteer recovery activities. Neither the President's request nor the House-passed bill included similar funding.

**Social Security Administration:** Provides \$277,000 for the Office of Inspector General to audit and investigate hurricane response and recovery activities.

## **Chapter 8: Subcommittee on Military Construction and Veterans Affairs**

**Military Construction:** Provides \$338.9 million for military construction, which is \$65.9 million below the President's request and \$148.5 million above the House-passed bill. Of this spending, \$69.0 million is for the **Navy** and **Marine Corps**; \$109.3 million is for the **Air Force**; and \$210.1 million is for the **Army**. The Committee also recommends a rescission of \$49.5 million from the Military Construction, Naval Reserve account.

**Construction, Major Projects:** Provides \$623.0 million for the replacement of the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in New Orleans and cleanup of land associated with VA medical facilities, which is \$23.0 million above the President's request and \$73.0 million above the House-passed bill.

**Armed Forces Retirement Home:** Provides \$176.0 million for construction of the Armed Forces Retirement Home in Gulfport, Mississippi. Neither the President's request nor the House-passed bill includes similar funding.

## **Chapter 9: Subcommittee on Transportation, Treasury, and General Government**

**Emergency Relief Program:** Provides \$594.0 million to carry out emergency relief projects. Neither the President's request nor the House-passed bill includes similar funding.

**Emergency Assistance for Public Transportation:** Provides \$200.0 million for grants to State and local government entities for expenses related to emergency response and recovery of public transportation equipment. Neither the President's request nor the House-passed bill includes similar funding.

**Capital Grants for Rail Line Relocation:** Provides \$700.0 million to relocate tracks that are currently located along the coast of Mississippi. Neither the President's request nor the House-passed bill includes similar funding.

**Tenant-Based Rental Assistance:** Provides \$202.0 million for Section 8 tenant- and projected-based rental housing assistance, which is equal to the President's request and \$202 million more than the House-passed bill.

**Community Development Fund:** Provides \$5.20 billion in Community Development Block Grant funds for disaster relief related to the consequences of hurricanes in the gulf region, which is \$1.0 billion above the President's request and the House-passed bill.

**Federal Building Fund:** Provides \$37.0 million to repair buildings damaged by the hurricanes of 2005, which is equal to the President's request and House-passed bill.

### **Title III – Emergency Agriculture Disaster Assistance**

**Commodity Credit Corporation Fund:** Provides \$3.94 billion for emergency agricultural assistance. Neither the President's request nor House-passed bill includes similar funding. This provision was previously proposed as S. 2438 (sponsored by Senator Conrad) on March 15, 2006 and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry. This funding provides assistance to farmers and ranchers who suffered weather-related crop production shortfalls, quality losses, or damage to livestock feed supplies.

### **Title IV – Drought Emergency Assistance**

**Drought Assistance:** Provides \$12.5 million to the Army Corps of Engineers and Bureau of Reclamation for drought assistance. Neither the President's request nor the Hill-passed bill includes similar funding.

### **Title V – Port Security Enhancements**

**Port Security:** Provides \$648.1 million for port security enhancing technology, salaries and expenses, and grants to address known risks. Neither the President's request nor the House-passed bill includes similar funding.

## Title VI – Pandemic Flu

**Public Health and Social Services Emergency Fund:** Provides \$2.30 billion to prepare for and respond to an influenza pandemic. Neither the President’s request nor the House-passed bill includes similar funding. While the President did request such funding in an emergency supplemental in 2005, Congress did not provide funds at that time.

## Title VII – General Provisions and Technical Corrections

**Mining Safety:** Provides \$35.6 million to supplement the inspection of coal mines and for research to develop mine safety technology. Neither the President’s request nor the House passed-bill includes similar funding.

**General Provisions:** The Chapter includes a number of general provisions on a range of issues. Of note, Section 6001 limits the availability of funds in this supplemental to the current fiscal year unless expressly provided otherwise. Section 6007 allows the District of Columbia to expend up to \$42 million from unexpended general surplus funds resulting from locally generated taxes.

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### **Administration Position**

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At press time, no Statement of Administration Policy (SAP) on the Senate-reported bill was available. However, OMB did issue a SAP on the bill as it was reported to the House on March 15.

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### **Cost**

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**Budget Authority:** (amount in millions)

Fiscal Year 2006 \$106,474

**Outlays:** (amount in millions)

Fiscal Year 2006 \$27,129

Fiscal Year 2007 \$41,855

Fiscal Year 2008 \$20,643

Fiscal Year 2009 \$ 9,373

Fiscal Year 2010 (and future years) \$ 7,270

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## **Possible Amendments**

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A number of amendments related to the bill's funding are likely from members of both sides of the aisle, including the following: offsetting amendments to reduce top-line level back to the President's budget, increase funding for expenses related to engineering at the Mississippi outlet, increase emergency relief to farmers, increase funding for veterans' health care, and create a new health care contingency fund for returning troops.